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1. VEB Medisintezhnik, Leipzig-West 35, Franz Fleming Strasse 39, employing 1,800 workers, began producing gas masks about 13 July 1955.
2. The masks, called "Schutzmann" Types 1, 2 and 3, are very similar to German World War II types, but have a new filter.
3. After the masks are assembled at VEB Fahrrad-Emaillier-Werk, Bernhard Gearing Strasse 72, Soviet and KVP officers pick them up in trucks.
4. Most of the planned 40,000 masks were completed by 27 July 1955.

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